

Nine Verses of the Renunciate's Staff

Renunciate's Verse for Holding the Staff (optional)

As I hold the staff,
May every sentient being
Establish assemblies of great generosity
And reveal the path to reality.
Om nalisán nalisán nalitapanti naliti nayapani hum phat tat (x3)

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Holding the staff and making this wish for all sentient beings, may I create a great assembly for the Three Treasures and show the Buddha's true path; may I create a great assembly for the Three Treasures and show the Buddha's true path.



From a pure heart in the past, I made offerings to the Three Treasures. Now emanating a pure heart I make offerings to the Three Treasures. In the future, I will purify my heart and make offerings to the Three Treasures.



For the benefit of all sentient beings, I wish that I may become like Shakyamuni Buddha, a teacher of devas and humans, with vows filling the universe to the extent that the suffering of everyone is assuaged in the Dharmakaya. I make offerings to the Three Treasures that I may meet the Buddhas and quickly awaken to Bodhi.



For the benefit of all sentient beings, I pray to cultivate the Absolute Truth with great mercy and compassion, and to cultivate the Relative Truth with great mercy and compassion, and to cultivate the One Vehicle with great mercy and compassion. Respectfully, I make offerings to the Three Jewels of the Buddha, Dharma, and Sangha, these Three Jewels in unity.



For the benefit of all sentient beings, I wish to perfect my generosity for great mercy and compassion, to perfect my morality for great mercy and compassion, to perfect my patience for great mercy and compassion, to perfect my energy for

great mercy and compassion, to perfect my meditation for great mercy and compassion, and to perfect my wisdom for great mercy and compassion.



For the benefit of all sentient beings, I pray that people everywhere hear the sound of the staff; that the lazy become energetic, that the precept breakers become virtuous; that the doubting become trusting; that the stingy become generous; that the angry become merciful; that the foolish become wise; that the arrogant become humble; that the indulgent become practitioners; and that by completely cultivating skillful means, they quickly attain enlightenment.



For the benefit of all sentient beings, I wish for a change of heart in the harmful beings of the world: the people following cruel and unjust paths; the demons and evil spirits; the fierce animals, poisonous snakes, and insects. I wish that all these beings hear the sound of the staff, abandon all harm, develop the Bodhicitta, act with myriad skillful means, and quickly attain enlightenment.



For the benefit of all sentient beings, I pray that everyone suffering in the Hells, the hungry ghosts, those in the animal realms, the people in the eight unfavorable situations, hear the sound of the staff and soon attain deliverance. To those fallen to temptation, gone astray, foolish, facing the two hindrances and the 108 worries, I wish they emanate the Bodhi heart, act with myriad skillful means, and quickly attain enlightenment.



All Buddhas of the past held the Shakujo and attained Buddhahood. Buddhas of the present hold the staff and attain Buddhahood. Buddhas of the future will hold the staff and attain Buddhahood. Therefore, bowing deeply I hold the staff and make offerings to the Three Treasures. Therefore, bowing deeply I hold the staff and make offerings to the Three Treasures.



I give honor, reverence, and offerings to Shakyamuni's Assembly on Vulture Peak.

Reverence and offerings to the protectors.

Please have mercy and protect all creatures.



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